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## DES MOINES YWCA WILL AID RELOCATORS TO FIND JOBS

Residents who are seeking employment in Des Moines, Iowa, may go there under the auspices of the YWCA of that city.

Relocators to Des Moines will be assisted in finding positions and homes there by the YWCA Employment Service under Miss Goldye Allen. The Board of Directors of the organization recently voted to aid small groups of evacuees, possibly 2 at a time.

In addition to guaranteeing transient rooms in the YWCA building, several members of the board have offered rooms in their homes as living quarters until the evacuees can be permanently placed.

## MORE SCREENS TO BE GIVEN LATER

Sufficient screens to accommodate 2 windows of each apartment have been distributed to date, and the remaining windows will be screened with the arrival of more material.

In the meantime, according to Henry Watson, chief of the Public Works division, work is progressing in screening the latrine and shower room windows and the garbage racks.

In conjunction with the screening program, Wayne Sutton, sanitation inspect-

## MEETING SET FOR INTERNEES' KIN

A special meeting for relatives of internees will be held Friday afternoon from 2:30 at Rec 33, according to the Welfare section and the Inter-Faith Council.

The purpose of the meeting will be to present new information concerning the setup of the Crystal City camp in Texas for Internees' families. Questions will be answered.

## Buddhist Rites

In commemoration of the anniversary of St. Shinran on May 21, Topaz Buddhists will conduct special rites on Friday and Saturday evenings at the Buddhist Church from 7:30 PM.

The Revs. T. Kashima and I. Kyogoku will be the principal speakers. S. Yamate and S. Yamauchi will direct the meetings.

or, cautioned residents to keep screened doors of barracks and mess halls closed at all times to avoid fly and mosquito hazards.

## YELLOW DENT CORN PLANTED TO CUT COSTS OF HOG FEED

Approximately 150 acres of yellow dent corn were planted in Section 24 last week by the hog raising unit to provide additional feed for the ever increasing hog population.

Mangle beets, two kinds of pumpkin, and soy beans will also be planted soon as supplementary feed. Present feed consists of local garbage, alfalfa hay and cracked wheat.

500 acres of barley and 200 acres of alfalfa are already under cultivation, according to Shig Nakamura,

secretary of the Swine Association.

To provide pasturage land for the hogs, work on fencing 240 acres in Sections 10 and 11 is being rushed to completion.

Since the greatest expenditure in raising hogs is in the cost of feed, the projected program is for raising as much feed as possible on the Project. This will also insure a carefully selected variety of feed, insuring the production of the best quality of pork.

## HELP WANTED

Mimeograph technicians are urgently needed by the Topaz Times.

No prior experience is required. Anyone mechanically minded, who would like to learn to operate mimeograph and multigraph machines, is welcome.

Today's edition has been cut from the usual 8 pages to 6 pages because of the lack of helpers.

Next week, if technicians can't be found, we may go into a twice-a-week schedule.

## KIMBALL ADDRESSES COUNCIL; ELECTION CHANGE CONSIDERED

Commending highly the progress of the Center's Council, Dr. Solon T. Kimball, national WRA community organization adviser, gave an informal address at the regular council meeting held last Monday afternoon.

In summarizing briefly the current state of the self-governmental bodies of the various relocation centers, he pointed out the necessity of a permanent representative council which will assume the responsibility of meeting the many problems arising from everyday community life. He concluded his talk by answering questions concerning the functions and responsibilities of a community council.

In the general business discussion the Council approved a motion to amend a section of the Constitution so that the ward system of electing members to the City Council will be changed to the block system, whereby each individual block will select one council member.

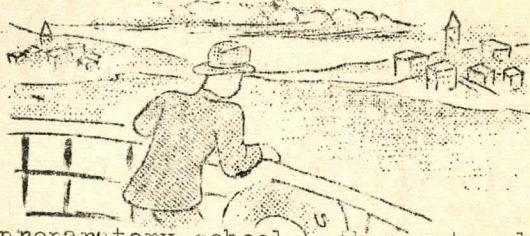
The Council also voted to assume sponsorship of the student scholarship fund movement.



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## TOPAZ PERSONALITIES-2 KANTAISHI NISHIMURA

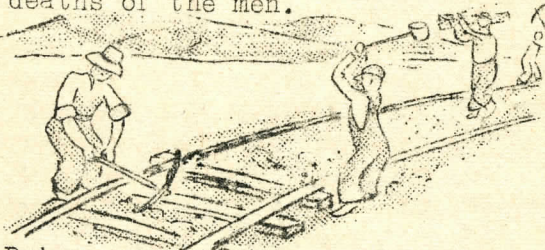


Son of a burgomaster in Nara, Yoshio Nishimura received his early schooling at the Hokkaido Boys' Military School, pro-

ceeded to a naval preparatory school, then entered a naval engineering college. Disliking the regimentation of his life and the political structure of the government, he realized that he had missed his calling. His poetic, sensitive nature longed for a free life, which he sought in America, inspired by the tales of the empire builders.

In 1904 the Christian youth of 20, landed in California, building, in a year or so, the first church, library, and English school for Japanese in Santa Barbara by donating his savings.

With friends he tried farming in Nevada, but failed. This led him into railroad work, in Utah, and in Colorado. He tells of gangs of Orientals being pitted against each other in laying rails and dynamiting roads through the Wasatch and the Rockies. He has stories to tell of insidious schemes of section bosses who reaped profits on commissions, embezzling, cheating on provisions, operating gambling joints and houses of ill fame, even collecting insurance on the accidental deaths of the men.



Nishimura sought to do without these bosses; to operate gangs on co-operative bases. Their ventures were lucky, they struck it rich.

But construction and railroad work came to a sudden standstill: Western capitalism had become stabilized.

He turned to fruit picking, helping to unionize Japanese pickers. At a copper mine at Arthur, Utah, he was elected camp treasurer, discovering misappropriations of over 50% of the community funds, and was immediately fired when he made it known.

In 1914 he became the editor of the "Utah Nippo". During this period he wrote political essays which were widely reprinted.

At this time there broke a bloody strike at the Toole mines in Utah in protest to a Japanese camp boss. It made headlines in the English papers, but the vernacular papers were all bought off. At eating houses and hotels a different story was told. Determined to find out the truth, he visited the camp and wrote the workers' views. When his articles were refused space in the newspapers, he quit his post.

There was a walk-out, and fiery speeches were made for a united labor front. Strike news was printed privately, attacking the graft and corruption of the Japanese bosses. The struggle was a difficult one, but, in the end, a glorious success.

Nishimura was instrumental in bringing about the enactment of the neonage law in Utah, freeing the laboring class of all colors from their yokes forever.

In 1922, he entered business in Brooklyn, later opening a co-operative restaurant in New York. In 1936 he left for the West, taking over the "Sacramento Nippo", always stressing in his editorials that the faith and future of Japanese residents should be in America.

Tomoye Takahashi

## DESERT Echoes

### OVERHEARD

When a wife of an appointed personnel asked a couple of tiny Topaz tots where they came from, the older of the two politely replied: "Before we were evaporated, we lived in Oakland."



### POWER OF SUGGESTION

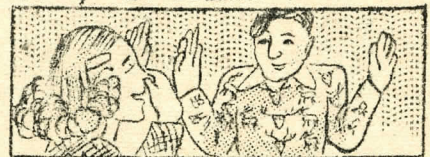
Harumi Kawahara, our worthy colleague, confided to us that she stays awake for hours after drinking coffee at night. In order to please her we served Sanka coffee one night and the next day she sprightly remarked that the caffeine-removed beverage had not affected her the night before. The other night we served coffee again, vociferously extolling the qualities of Sanka. Harumi again said that she slept soundly that night. We are wondering whether we ought to tell her that it wasn't Sanka the second time.

### POWER OF ENVIRONMENT

Did you know that the first word uttered by Victor and Mildred Goertzel's little baby was "nen-ne" lustily repeated around 5 o'clock in the morning greatly disturbing her sleepy parents? To the uninitiated, "nen-ne" means sleep in Japanese.

### WANTED: A REBUTTAL

Is there any resident who can help us find a rebuttal for our most caustic critic's cursory comment, "IT STINKS"?



### THIS IS TOPAZ

Where 3108 persons out of 3953 earn \$16 a month.. ..where there are 1400 career girls earning from \$12 to \$19 per month.... where, in Block 2, there are more dogs than trees.. ..where a former prosperous San Francisco business man is washing pots and pans....where you buy oranges at 95 cents a dozen.

Henri Takahashi



# MYSTERY PLANE NET EXHIBITION MATCHES BREAKS RECORD TO FEATURE STAR PLAYERS

All existing flight records were broken when Dan Mizuhara's model airplane climbed into a cloud and disappeared from sight in the model airplane contest sponsored by the Block Managers over the weekend.

Mizuhara, California Jr. champion in 1941, captured two firsts and a third. Ichiro Ozawa, 1942 California Jr. champ, won a first and a third.

The crowd of 400 was witness to a disaster when C. Nagatoshi's gas model P47, with a 48-inch wing-spread, crash-dived and was practically demolished.

Winners of the contest as released by Frank Ogawa, chairman, were: (A) D. Mizuhara, Min Akiyoshi; (B) D. Mizuhara, Min Hironaka, Harry Tsugawa; (C) Ichiro Ozawa, Howard Mizuhara, D. Mizuhara; (D) Moe Kato, Mas Takai, Ichiro Ozawa.

## STUDENTS AID IN PLANTING ONIONS

Organized groups of students are participating in the current truck crops program by planting 2 million onion sets on a 25-acre tract of land at Section 11, it was learned from George McColm, associate agronomist. With more than 150 students assigned to the activity since last Tuesday, the planting is expected to be completed this week. It was pointed out that the onion sets were provided by the I.K.I. farms in Logandale, Nevada.

McColm added that the agriculture department would further enlist the aid of the students in the planting of cabbage, tomato, broccoli, eggplant and pepper.

Alden S. Adams, high school instructor of agriculture, said, "These students are proving to be of great service to the Project. They've certainly helped in alleviating the labor shortage situation, and they merit much credit for the type of work they are contributing."

Boasting an array of stars second to none in any of the other centers, the Topaz Tennis Club will have its coming out party Sunday morning featuring its net aces in a series of exhibition matches.

## 3 UNDEFEATED TEAMS REMAIN

Three undefeated teams remained as the Double A Block loops entered their 4th week of play. Blocks 16 and 37 were tied for the American League lead while Block 19 rested atop of the National League when Block 11 dropped an 8 inning heartbreaker to Block 12.

Since the majority of the score sheets from the four "A" leagues were not sent in to the CAS office at Rec 4 on time, the results and standings cannot be published, the CAS announced today.

### BLOCK "AA" STANDINGS

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

BLOCK	Won	Lost
16	3	0
37	3	0
9	1	2
31	0	2
23	0	2
30	0	1

#16-7, #9-4; #37-10, #23-3; #30 vs. #31-postponed.

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

BLOCK	Won	Lost
19	3	0
11	2	1
12	2	1
26	1	2
39	1	2
20	0	3

#12-6, #11-5 (8 innings) #19-5, #39-3; #26-12, #20-3

## LIBRARY

**NOTES:** The three-day Hawaiian exhibit which was sponsored by the Japanese Language Library (Rec 40) attracted 5032 visitors. The Library wishes to thank the residents of Block 1 for their sincere co-operation. Of added interest were the water-colors by Toshio Asaeda, formerly associated with the NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC.

**GIFTS:** Books and magazines were received from Taro Katayama, Bob Iki, R. G. Wendell, Henry and Ernest

Scheduled to begin at 10 AM, the local club's debut will star such nisei net greats as Nebo Shimura, three-time Pacific Coast Japanese champ and a leading player in Bay Region tennis circles, and Hisayo Wakamatsu, third ranking woman player in Japan and California nisei women's champion.

Others include Shuichi Miho, former San Mateo JC varsity netster and number two ranking nisei player in Northern California, and his wife, Ruth Miho, nee Ruth Maeno, star Angeleno, Mrs. Leslie Yamamoto, ranking woman player, Hiro and Mark Bando, former San Mateans, and Tad Hikoyeda.

## BATTING LEADERS

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

Players	Blocks	AB	H	Ave.
Kiyomura, M.	37	10	8	.800
Yamamoto, G.	16	9	6	.667
Ishiyama, T.	9	10	6	.600
Masuda, T.	37	14	8	.571
Nakagawara, H.	9	7	4	.571

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

Players	Blocks	AB	H	Ave.
Amino, Y.	19	9	7	.778
Kiwata, K.	19	11	7	.636
Yamamoto, S.	19	12	6	.500
Oshida, J.	19	9	4	.444
Yamauchi, C.	11	8	3	.375

(NOTE: Since all the score cards have not been turned in, these standings, naturally, are not representative...CAS release)

Takahashi, and Anonymous.  
**NEW TITLES:** INDIA WITHOUT FABLE by Kate L. Mitchell, THE ORIGINS OF THE SECOND WORLD WAR by Haines and Joffman, HOW TO WRITE GOOD BUSINESS LETTERS by Edward Frank Allen, MODERN BOXING by Len Harvey, VICTORY THROUGH AIR POWER by Major A. O. de Seversky, THE ROMANCE OF ARCHAEOLOGY by Magoffin and Davis, MY AMERICA by Louis Adamic, DAYS OF OUR YEARS by Pierre van Paassen, THE MAN-SIONS OF PHILOSOPHY by Will Durant, TECHNICAL DRAWING by Giesecke Mitchell Spencer.







アイダホ便り

私は蜜蜂業研究のためトバズ市を後にして、アイダホ州グリーング市へ再轉住せし者です。当中はアイダホ州の中央に位し、人口三千の田舎町で住民の大部分は獨逸系白人で、日本人に對して非常に好感を有し、街上に於ても先方よりハロ―と呼びかけられることと度々で、商店散髪屋等にても、聊かの毛嫌ひもなく歡迎せられ、実に住心地良き所です。当地方には直經五六尺に及ぶ大樹無數繁茂し、緑の新芽を出し、野も山も青草を以て蔽はれ、今はアワフルの花盛りで、實に見事です。当地方は桃梨トモト大根豆コーン、アルファルファ、其他あらゆる農産物は適し、中にもアイダホポテトの名は普く知られ、一英加三四俵の收穫を出し、又砂糖大根は英加三十噸とは驚くの外なく、アルファルファは已に二尺五六寸に生長してゐます。因に当地方に於ける上田地の値は英加百弗乃至百五十弗です。加州ならばこれ程の上田地は千弗以上で

当市には小中高等學校は勿論、盲啞學校病院銀行新聞社教會各種商店の設備欠ぐるところなく、何一つ不自由はありません。且つ物價の安いのは驚きます。例せば新鮮な卵一打三十二仙、砂糖斤八仙、オレチ一打三十九仙、生肉斤廿五仙乃至四十仙、ハム、ベーコン斤四十仙、コーヒ一斤二十仙、セリ斤十仙、アヒオン斤五仙、純粋ミルク、コールド十一

① 仙、バタ弁五十仙位です。昨  
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聞けは、今トス市では病人が多いとの事ですが、当地は非常な健康地で、病院の報告によれば、目下入院患者僅かに十人、中三人は妊婦、二人は負傷者、一人は切開手術を受けし人、四人は老病とのことで、所以如何に当地が健康に適するかが定規はれます。

蜂は全く自給で生産してゐます。

加之養蜂は婦人にとりて、老人にとりて、極めて容易な職業です。因に当郡内には七の養蜂会社があつて、約三万五千箱の蜂巣を所有して居るところを見て、如何に当地が養蜂に適地であるか、定規はれます。

は獨逸人の経営で、現に五千の蜜箱を有し、拾數名の白人が就働して居ますが、出征のため、人力不足を來たし、出来るならば今後全部日本人を雇入れ、度額百五十弗乃至二百弗、エタセクターの農事の仕事を、沢山あります。尙本市に於ける衣食は、賈は一ヶ月五十弗で充分です。

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ジョーネス、浦

トパーズ吟社  
第十四回能句會日  
五月二十九日(土)午後  
七時半、第二十三回  
會堂に於て

兼題「夕燒蚊・日燒」  
通じて十句  
例句 夕燒や山暮ひかへ

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出席不能の方は、サ、三、三  
Bにお届け下さい。初学の  
方々の御出席を歓迎  
致します。

ホーイスカウト

時日五月十二日（土曜）

場所第三十二食堂

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2. Current events.	
3. St. Shinran's Birthday.	
4. Special advertisement by Co-op.	